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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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TAKAO YONEHARA, ET AL.) Examiner: Thanh T. Nguyen
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Application No.: 10/059,171) Group Art Unit: 2813
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Filed: January 31, 2002)
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For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING)
A THIN-FILM SEMICONDUCTOR :
DEVICE USED FOR A DISPLAY)
REGION AND PERIPHERAL :
CIRCUIT REGION) September 30, 2004

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P.O. Box 1450
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of a Notice of Allowance dated September 7, 2004, in the above-referenced application. The issue fee is due on or before December 7, 2004, and is being paid concurrently herewith.

Applicants respectfully traverse the Reasons for Allowance set forth in the Notice of Allowability on the grounds that:

(1) whereas the Reasons refer to "forming a porous layer on a surface of the semiconductor substrate", Claims 17 through 21 instead recite --forming a porous


separation layer in the semiconductor substrate--;

(2) whereas the Reasons refer to "forming an image display portion on the switching element", the claims instead recite --forming an image display portion on the first region--; and

(3) whereas the Reasons refer to "separating the switching element and a peripheral circuit film from the member together with the image display portion", the claims instead recite --separating the first and second regions from the member together with the image display portion--.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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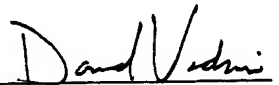
STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Sir:

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended to Applicants' undersigned representative during the telephonic interview conducted on August 30, 2004. During the interview, Applicants' undersigned representative authorized the Examiner's Amendment set forth in the September 7, 2004 Notice of Allowability.

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